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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to consider global auction of third generation technology popularly known as 3G spectrum;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to hold any discussion with telecom operators on 2G and 3G licences;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Committee formed by the Department of Telecom to study the 3G spectrum pricing and allocation has recommended BSNL and MTNL for 3G spectrum quota in accordance with the recommendations of an internal Committee of the Department of Telecommunications;

(g) if so, the other recommendations made by the Committee; and

(h) the time by which these are likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (h) The guidelines for allotment and use of 3G spectrum are to be formulated taking into account all relevant aspects including the Recommendations of the internal Committee.